

LAFAYETTE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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MEETING Thursday, July 9, 2015 8:00 A.M. - Highway Office

Present were Dwayne Larson, Gerald Heimann, John Bartels, Wayne Wilson and Tom Jean.

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order.

The agenda was properly posted at the Lafayette County Courthouse, the Darlington Municipal Building and the Lafayette County Highway Department.

Motion by Wilson, second by Heimann to approve the agenda, motion carried.

Motion by Heimann, second by Wilson to approve the minutes of the meeting dated June 25, 2015, motion carried.

Motion by Heimann, second by Bartels to approve Vouchers #4343, 4344 and 4345, motion carried.

The June overtime report was noted.

Comelec was here last week looking at a possible site for the new county radio tower. They looked at our yard and the Wiegel property. The tower will be 300' high with a base of 23' in the center. The Wiegel building was discussed as having a room big enough for the command center, the rest of the building could be used as cold storage for our equipment, plus the Commission on Aging is looking for somewhere to house their busses. Motion by Heimann, second by Wilson to pursue the Wiegel building as an option. Motion carried.

With the recent resignation of one of our employees Tom asked the committee for permission to go to Human Resources on July 21 and ask to hire two employees. Since 2011 we have lost nine employees and only hired six back. Motion by Larson, second by Heimann to authorize Tom to request hiring two employees. Motion carried.

Projects Update: we have finished blacktopping, shouldering and striping the CHIP D project on CTH P; the blacktopping is done on the CHIP project on CTH F and now shouldering and striping will be done. Request for reimbursement has been sent in for both. We hope to start sealcoating soon but some wedges are needed first. We are mixing two loads of oil today and mixed two yesterday at the quarry for cold mix.

Equipment Update: one of our distributors has problems with the spray bar which needs to be fixed before sealcoating, so that is at Etnyre. Our pickups need replacing, and the Sheriff's Dept has a 2005 Dodge which they will sell to us. It has an exhaust leak, but we could fix that. Motion by Bartels, second by Heimann for Tom to pursue purchasing this truck. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2015.

Motion by Bartels, second by Heimann, to adjourn the meeting, motion carried